## **Air Resources Board**



Linda S. Adams
Secretary for
Environmental Protection

## Mary D. Nichols, Chairman

9480 Telstar Avenue, Suite 4 El Monte, California 91731 www.arb.ca.gov



January 8, 2009

Mail-Out # MSC 09-04

TO: All Interested Parties

SUBJECT: PUBLIC WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS DEVELOPMENT OF AB 118

AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (AQIP)

The Air Resources Board (ARB or "the Board") invites you to participate in a public workshop to discuss development of the Air Quality Improvement Program (AQIP) pursuant to AB 118 (Statutes of 2007), the California Alternative and Renewable Fuel, Vehicle Technology, Clean Air, and Carbon Reduction Act of 2007. This workshop will be held at the following times and locations:

DATE: Wednesday, February 4, 2009

TIME: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Cal/EPA Headquarters Building

Sierra Hearing Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

1001 I Street

Sacramento, California 95814 (workshop will be webcast)

DATE: Thursday, February 5, 2009 TIME: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District

Governing Board Room 1990 E. Gettysburg Avenue

Fresno, CA 93726

AB 118 provides about \$50 million annually through 2015 for the AQIP to fund a variety of air quality incentive projects, including low-emission vehicles and equipment projects, air quality research, and advanced energy technology workforce training. ARB is developing proposed AQIP Guidelines and the Fiscal Year (FY) 2009-10 AQIP Funding Plan to be considered by the Board in April 2009. The AQIP Guidelines will be regulations that cover program administration and implementation, while the Funding Plan describes FY 2009-10 source category funding targets, solicitation mechanisms and other program criteria. ARB staff provided preliminary draft AQIP Guidelines language and FY 2009-10 Funding Plan ideas at its November 4-5, 2008 public

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov">http://www.arb.ca.gov</a>.

California Environmental Protection Agency

All Interested Parties January 8, 2009 Page 2

workshops in Sacramento and Diamond Bar. This information can be found at: <a href="https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/meetings/meetings.htm">www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/meetings/meetings.htm</a> .

At the February 4-5, 2009 public workshop, staff shall discuss updated draft AQIP Guideline language and FY 2009-10 Funding Plan potential source categories, funding targets, and program parameters. ARB will post updated draft AQIP Guideline language and a Funding Plan discussion document on its webpage (www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/aqip.htm) a week prior to the workshop.

This is the fourth and final planned set of workshops to be held during AQIP Guideline and FY 2009-10 Funding Plan development. Staff plans to release the Proposed AQIP Guidelines and Proposed FY 2009-10 Funding Plan in March 2009 for public comment prior to Board consideration of these items at the April 23, 2009 Board meeting.

For those unable to attend in person, the February 4, 2009 workshop in Sacramento will also be webcast. On the day of the workshop, the broadcast can be accessed at <a href="https://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/">www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/</a>. Information on submitting questions or comments will be provided during the webcast for remote participants. Staff's presentation will be posted in advance of the workshop on ARB's web site at <a href="http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/aqip.htm">http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/aqip/aqip.htm</a>.

If you have a disability-related accommodation need, please go to <a href="www.arb.ca.gov/html/ada/ada.htm">www.arb.ca.gov/html/ada/ada.htm</a> for assistance, or contact the ADA Coordinator, at (916) 323-4916. If you are a person who needs assistance in a language other than English, please go to <a href="www.arb.ca.gov/as/eeo/languageaccess.htm">www.arb.ca.gov/as/eeo/languageaccess.htm</a> or contact the Bilingual Coordinator, at (916) 323-7053. We welcome your participation.

If you have questions regarding the workshop or the Air Quality Guideline development, please contact Joe Calavita, Staff Air Pollution Specialist, at (916) 445-4586 or icalavit@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Robert H. Cross, Chief Mobile Source Control Division

cc: Joe Calavita
Staff Air Pollution Specialist
Carl Moyer Off-Road Section

All Interested Parties January 8, 2009 Page 3

bcc: Jack Kitowski, MSCD

Lucina Negrete, MSCD Andrew Panson, MSCD Analisa Bevan, MSCD Elise Keddie, MSCD Gerhard Achtelik, MSCD Harold Holmes, SSD Cherie Rainforth, SSD